

ERA	PERIOD	Epoch	Washoe/Storey Co. Formation or Name	Symbol	Paleontology Potential	Pershing County Formation or Name	Symbol	Paleontology Potential	Humboldt County Formation or Name	Symbol	Paleontology Potential	Epoch	PERIOD	ERA	
C E N O Z O I C	HOLOCENE QUATERNARY	H P		Qal, Ql, Qsl, Qls QTg	fossil fauna and flora, large mammals fossil fauna and flora, large mammals		Qal, etc Qtb	fossil fauna and flora, large mammals fossil fauna and flora, large mammals	Younger alluvium Older alluvium, Gravel dep Vesicular olivine basalt	Qya Qoa, Qg QTb	fossil fauna and flora, large mammals fossil fauna and flora, large mammals none indicated	H P	HOLOCENE QUATERNARY	C E N O Z O I C	
	TERTIARY	P		Tir, Tab Tst Tts Tba	vertebrates and fossil floras vertebrates and fossil floras		Ts, Tcg, Tts Tba Tir, Tip	vertabrate and plant fossils	Mesa basalt of Merriam Thousand Cr beds of Merriam Virgin valley beds of Merriam	Tmb Ttc Tvv	none indicated fossiliferous: vertebrates, leaf imprints, fish, diatoms fossiliferous: vertebrates, leaf imprints, fish	P M O	TERTIARY		
		M O E P	Pyramid Sequence South Willow	Tsv Tsw	plant fossils and petrified wood	Fish Cr Mtns Tuff & others Caetano Tuff	Tf, Twt, Tra Tgd, Ta, Tc, Tr Tc			Ts, Trd, Ti Tba, Tu	fossiliferous in sedimentary rocks as above fossils found in intercalated sedimentary rocks				
M E S O Z O I C	CRETACEOUS			Kgd		Rocky Canyon New York Canyon	Kgrc, Kqny Kgd, Klg, Kap fd, dd				fossiliferous: fresh water fossils collected from limestone lenses		CRETACEOUS	M E S O Z O I C	
	JURASSIC		Peavine Sequence Nightingale Sequence	mv, ms, mvs msr	trace fossils none indicated	Boyer Ranch <i>Auld Sang Syne Group</i> Raspberry, Winnemucca Dun Glen, Grass Valley Grass Valley & Osobbb	Jb Jtra, JTrl, Trs Trra, Trwi Trdg, Trgv Trgvo, Tro	unfossiliferous fossiliferous: including ammonites fossiliferous but no age-diagnostic fossils recovered few fossils	Limestone Raspberry, Quartzite and mudstone Winnemucca Dun Glen, Grass Valley Natchez Pass	JTrl Jtru Trr, Trm, Tra, Trs Trqm Trw Trdg, Trgv Trnp	fossiliferous: crinoid stems in an upper unit fossils not found sparse fossils in lower part of formation fossils not found sparse fossils worm trails but no diagnostic fossils found fossils are sparse and poorly preserved		JURASSIC		
	TRIASSIC					Natchez Pass <i>Prida</i> Cane Spring, Augusta Mtn Favret, Dixie Valley, Tobin	Trnp, Trnpv Md, Trm Trp, Trpu, Trpmi Trca Trf, Trdv, Trt	fossiliferous in lower member: including ammonites fossiliferous: including ammonites few fossils Favret and Tobin are fossiliferous: including ammonites					TRIASSIC		
P A L E O Z O I C	PERMIAN			PTrm	none indicated	<i>Koipato Group undiv</i> Weaver Rochester Limerick Greenstone	Trk Trwe Trro Trl Trrp, Trlg	ammonite impressions in upper Weaver sedimentary units	Koipato Formation Quinn River Formation Vol and sed rocks undiv	Tr-Mu Trqr TrPu	practically unfossiliferous fossils in limestone and shale corals and fusilinids in lower limestone bed			P A L E O Z O I C	
	PENNSYLVANIAN					Metavolcanic rocks	Pm	well-preserved brachiopods near Black Rock point	Unnamed Limestone	Pul	none indicated		PERMIAN		
										Happy Cr Volcanic Series Edna Mtn, Antler Peak	Ph PPa, PPu PPfc, PPs	none indicated diversified fauna incl. Fusilinids (Antler P.) some units richly fossiliferous			PENNSYLVANIAN
	MISSISSIPPIAN														MISSISSIPPIAN
						Havallah Pumpnickel	PPh, PPhp PPp	fusilinids and conodonts fossils not found in Pershing county	Havallah Pumpnickel	PPh, PPhp PPp or Pp	fusilinid fossils conodonts found				
	DEVONIAN														DEVONIAN
		SILURIAN													SILURIAN
	ORDIVICIAN														ORDIVICIAN
	CAMBRIAN						Valmy Harmony Preble	Ov Ch Cp	graptolites sparse trilobites from limestone lenses limestone has trilobite faunas in Osgood mtns.	Comus Valmy Sonoma Harmony Unnamed Chert Preble Osgood Mtn Quartzite	Oc Ov Osr Ch Cc Cp Com	early and middle Ordovician fossils early and late Ordovician fossils none indicated none indicated rich trilobite fauna in shaly limestone Cambrian fossils none indicated			CAMBRIAN
Paleontological resource information of the Winnemucca RMP Planning Area summarized from the following references: Bonham, H.F., 1969, Geology and mineral deposits of Washoe and Storey Counties, Nevada, NBMG Bulletin 70. Johnson, M.J., 1977, Geology and mineral deposits of Pershing County, Nevada, NBMG Bulletin 89. Willden, R., 1964, Geology and mineral deposits of Humboldt County, Nevada, NBMG Bulletin 59.															

Table 2-2. Paleontological Resources of the Winnemucca RMP Planning Area